Funds under NLM to HP

2047. SHRI ANIL SHARMA : Will the MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of funds allocated and provided to Himachal Pradesh under the National Literacy Mission during the last five years;

(b) whether any target has been fixed by Government in this regard;

(c) if so, the details of achievements made so far in the State; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA) : (a) Funds released under different schemes of National Literacy Mission to Himachal Pradesh during the last five years are as follows :—

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Year	Amount
1996-1997	49.18
1997-1998	112.82
1998-1999	63.86
1999-2000	40.52
2000-2001	59.85
Total	326.23

(b) The National Literacy Mission seeks to achieve full literacy *i.e.* a sustainable threshold level of 75% literacy by the year 2005. It seeks to achieve this goal by imparting functional literacy, to non literates in 15-35 age group.

(c) The details of achievements in literacy are as follows :—

(in percentage)

Year	Total	Male	Female
1991	63.94	75.41	52.26
2001	77.13	86.02	68.08

—Literacy rate increased by 13.19 percentage points during the decade 1991—2001

—Female literacy rate increased by 15.82 percentage points as against 10.61 percentage points increase in Male Literacy rate.

(d) Does not arise.